

United States District Court  
Southern District of Ohio

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**Related Case Memorandum  
Civil Cases**

TO: Judge Douglas R. Cole  
Ketsorin  
FROM: VanDyke , Deputy Clerk  
DATE: 7/24/2025  
SUBJECT: Case Caption: ZL Technologies, Inc. v. Western & Southern Financial Group, Inc.  
CASE: Case Number: [Doc. 1:25-cv-472](#)  
Judges: Judge Cole / Magistrate Judge Bowman  
File Date: 7/09/2025

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This memorandum is to notify you that following cases are possibly related:

**Related Case**

Case Caption:	Western & Southern Financial Group Inc v. ZL Technologies, Inc.		
Case Number:	1:24-cv-673	District Judge:	Hopkins
File Date:	11/22/2024	Magistrate Judge:	Litkovitz

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The District Judges having conferred. We respond to Case Administrator Ketsorin VanDyke as follows:

**Judges' Response:**

- ☐ We agree that the cases are **not** related and that the subject case should remain with the Judge to whom it is assigned.
- ☒ We agree that the cases **are** related and that the subject case should be transferred to the docket of Judge Hopkins.
- ☐ We agree that although the cases **are** related, the subject case nevertheless should remain with the Judge to whom it was assigned.
- ☐ We are unable to agree and will accept any decision made by the Chief Judge.
- ☐ I am the Judge on both/all of the listed cases and have determined that the cases are **not** related.
- ☐ I am the Judge on both/all of the listed cases and have determined that the cases, **are** related and they shall both/all remain on my docket.
- ☐ Other Direction of Judge:

  
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Cc: Courtroom Deputies